Welcome to the Homeless Liaison list. This listserv is a communication between the SD-DOE State Homeless Coordinator and the school districts' liaisons. Periodically, you will be receiving a short newsletter pertaining to the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness. If you have questions or comments, please direct them to Laura.Johnson-Frame@state.sd.us. Where it is appropriate, your questions and comments will be shared with all liaisons across South Dakota.

Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program
Title VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
Amended by NCLB Act of 2001

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Homless Liaisons - There will be training for you at this conference. The training will be on identification of homeless students, collaboration, Title I Set-Aside, Title I services for homeless students in non-Title I schools, and the requirements under the McKinney Vento Law. Please attend or try to send someone from your district. Thanks.

ATTENTION: Title I Teachers and Title I Directors

DOE is hosting the NCLB Conference on April 18-19 in Huron. It's been several years since such a conference was provided. When the NCLB Title Team visits districts to review Federal NCLB programs, Title I teachers interviewed often ask for a return of the Title I Conference. We're pleased to provide this professional development opportunity.

DOE Renewal Credit is Available. There is no registration fee. We need you to register by going to: http://doe.sd.gov/oess/title/registration/index.asp

Participants/districts must reserve their own rooms and pay their own expenses including any substitute pay. Blocks of rooms have been secured at the hotels below. When calling in for reservations, be sure to mention the NCLB Conference. These rooms will be released on **April 3, 2007**, so make reservations before then.

| Crossroads | Best Western | Comfort Inn | Dakota Inn | Super 8 |
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| 352-3204 | 352-2000 | 352-6655 | 352-1400 | 352-0740 |
| \$65.00 single \$65.00 double – 3-4 people | \$45.00 single \$66.00 double | \$45.00 single \$55.00 double | \$45.00 single \$65.00 double | \$45.00 single \$55.00 double |
| 35 rooms for April 17 100 rooms for April 18 | 30 rooms for April 17-18 | 35 rooms for April 17-18 | 40 rooms for April 17-18 | 40 rooms for April 17-18 |

Tentative Schedule NCLB Conference April 18-19, 2007 Huron, South Dakota

Wednesday - April 18, 2007

7:00-Registration 8:30-10:00 **General Session** Speakers – Title Team NCLB Update 40 years of ESEA/Title I 10:00-10:30 Break 10:30-12:00 Breakout #1 12:00-1:30 Lunch Speaker – To be announced 1:30 - 3:00Breakout # 2 3:00-3:15 Break 3:15-4:45 Breakout #3

> South Dakota Distinguished Title I School – Hitchcock-Tulare Speaker – Keith Butcher, President of the National Association of Title I Directors

Thursday, April 19, 2007

Dinner

6:00-8:00

| 8:15 – 9:30 | Breakout # 4 |
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| 9:30-9:45 | Break |
| 9:45-11:00 | Breakout #5 |
| 11:00-11:15 | Break |
| 11:15-12:30 | Breakout #6 |

Tentative NCLB/Title I Workshops April 18-19, 2007

The conference has workshops for Title I teachers, Title I Directors and administrators. Here is a sketch of some of the workshops planned for the conference. Each workshop is highlighted in blue.

Targeted Assistance Programs – How the program works. How to implement the program. How students are identified. What are the Statutory requirements.

Schoolwide Programs – How to develop a schoolwide plan. How to implement the plan. What are the Statutory requirements.

Reading Workshops (3 workshops)

Differentiating Reading Groups K-5

Dibels – How to use Dibels

Research Based Strategies for Vocabulary and Comprehension Instruction

Participants in this session will learn how vocabulary instruction is tied to comprehension and research based strategies to teach both.

Math Workshops (3 workshops)

Learning Basic Facts in a Meaningful Manner Understanding Student Thinking as a Diagnostic Tool Moving from Concrete to Abstract for Learning New Math Concepts

Parent Involvement a Key Component of Title I Programs (3 workshops)

Building Capacity for Parent Involvement Parent Involvement – Policy to Practice TIPS for Growing Parent Involvement

Early Childhood (3 workshops)

Kindergarten

Pre-School Early Learning Guidelines

Transition for 4 year olds into school – collaboration on transition

Working with Student Populations

Special Education – Response To Intervention

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports: A schoolwide approach to better behavior

Understanding Poverty

Preventing Bullying In Your Classroom

Title I Programs in Private Schools
Homeless Liaisons – meeting/workshop
Title I Teachers in Neglected/Delinquent Institutions
Migrant Education Programs
Differentiated Instruction for English Language Learners in the Mainstream Classroom

Older Youth/ High School/Careers

Career Clusters Program with the Office of Career and Technical Education

Virtual High School - South Dakota's new Virtual High School launches March 15. Schools can register their high school students for a variety of courses. Most of the courses currently offered begin with the 2007-08 school year. Find out more at this workshop.

Gear Up Program – Summer Science Program

Assessment

National Assessment of Educational Progress Dakota Assessment of Content Standards Achievement Series

Need more information, call or write. Thanks

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